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	CONNECTION SUPPORT METHOD FOR DISK					
Title	ARRAY DEVICE					

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS  SEE MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.			ADDRESS	P.O. Box 1450	Patents		
1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)  2.  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  3.  Specification [Total Pages: 39] (preferred arrangement set forth below)  -Descriptive title of the invention -Cross Reference to Related Applications -Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D -Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix -Background of the Invention -Brief Summary of the Invention -Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) -Detailed Description -Claim(s) -Abstract of the Disclosure  4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets: 16]  5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets:] a.  Newly executed (original or copy) b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))			Alexandria VA 22313-1450  7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)  8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission fif applicable, all necessary)  a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)  b. Specification Sequence Listing on:  i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or  ii. paper  c. Statements verifying identity of above copies  ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS  9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))  10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)  11. English Translation Document (if applicable)  12. Information Disclosure Copies of IDS Citations Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  13. Preliminary Amendment  14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)				
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